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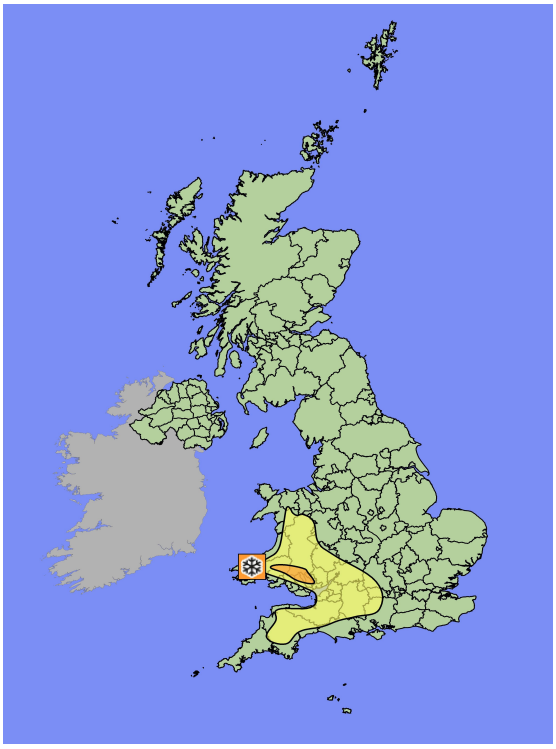

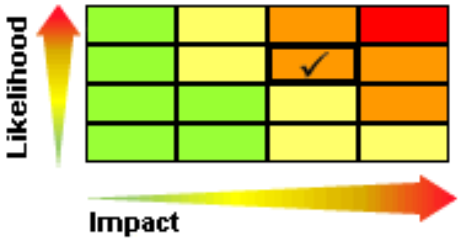

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A weather front will slowly encroach on the cold air now established across the country, this process bringing outbreaks of rain, sleet and snow. This is a finely balanced situation, which means that there is more than average uncertainty in location and amount of snow in the mix. Upland areas of south and southeast Wales, including the valleys, of southeast Wales may well see the largest accumulations this evening but with a likely slow easing of the situation into Monday morning. Snow to low levels seems unlikely to be widespread but this aspect will be kept under review.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Snow**

Valid from **15:30 on Sun, 29th Jan 2012** until **12:00 on Mon, 30th Jan 2012**

Rain pushing in from the west is expected turn to snow on the leading edge, especially on hills. As much as 10 cm may accumulate across hilly parts of south and southeast Wales, this area covered by the Amber warning, the main focus being through this evening. For SW England, accumulations of about 5 cm are possible over the moors, with Exmoor most likely to see these amounts through this evening. A slushy covering of 1 or 2cm of snow at lower levels could not be ruled out.

Further east across southern England, snow is more likely to arrive overnight or early on Monday morning but with only 1 or 2 cm at most, again chiefly over the hills.

The public are advised to be aware of the potential for disruption to traffic, particularly this evening within the amber area. There remains uncertainty in the amounts of snow, and also the eastern extent of any snow, so please check for further updates.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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